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Mr. Speaker:

The Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **1st Sub. H.B. 326**, ANIMAL DEPREDATION AMENDMENTS, by Representative R. P. Shipp, with the following amendments:

Amendment 1

1 Line 71 through 77:

- 71 [(6) "Depredating bird" means a Brewer's blackbird or starling;]
72 [(7) "Livestock" means cattle, horses, mules, sheep, goats, and swine;]
73 [(8) "Predatory animal" means any coyote; and]
74 (6) "Take" means { the same as that term is defined in Section 23A-1-101 } to:
(a) hunt, pursue, harass, catch, capture, possess, gather, angle, seine, trap, or kill; or
(b) attempt an action described in Subsection (6)(a) :
75 [(9)](7) "Wildlife" means [any form of animal life generally living in a state of nature,
76 except a predatory animal or a depredating animal or bird.]the same as that term is
77 defined in Section 23A-1-101.

2 Line 145 through 151:

- 145 [(8)](6) [The issuance of an aerial hunting]A permit or license issued under this section
146 does not authorize the [holder]permittee or licensee to use aircraft to [hunt, pursue,
147 shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect protected wildlife, as defined in Section
148 23A-1-101]take or locate wildlife other than a coyote , unless [also-]authorized by the
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149 Wildlife Resources under Section 23A-5-315.

150 (7) The department may suspend or revoke a permit or license issued under this section if

151 the department determines that the permittee or licensee:

Respectfully,

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Chair

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